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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Chyriell Drain-Hill, who passed away on April 17, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Chyriell Drain-Hill was born in St. Louis, Missouri on August 7, 1960; she graduated from East St. Louis Sr. High School in 1979 and attended Illinois State University, where she received her Bachelor of Science in Education in 1983; she earned her Master of Education in 1990; and

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WHEREAS, Chyriell Drain-Hill was the Assistant Director of Admissions for Illinois State University from 1984 to 1991; she also worked for two years in the Special Education Department for School District 189 in East St. Louis and in the Cahokia School District 187 Special Education Department from 1994 to 2002; she then worked for Belleville School District 201, where she was the Director of Guidance and Counseling for Belleville East High School for over 14 years; and

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WHEREAS, Chyriell Drain-Hill was an active member of New Life in Christ Interdenominational Church; her favorite pastime was her love for basketball; she attended local high school games and NBA games; she was an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, East St. Louis Alumnae Chapter, where she

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1 served on a multitude of committees and supported the young
2 ladies of Delta Gems and Delta Academy; after she retired from
3 Belleville East in June of 2016, she accepted a new position at
4 her church with New Life Enterprises; and

5 WHEREAS, Chyriell Drain-Hill was preceded in death by her
6 grandparents, James and Mary Wright, and her brother, Michael
7 Wright; and

8 WHEREAS, Chyriell Drain-Hill is survived by her daughter,
9 Jacqueline Kenya Hill; her mother, Marva J. Patterson; her
10 sister, Jacqueline (Dwight) Wright-Howard; and her
11 stepbrothers, Selwyn Drain and Chetnety Drain; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Chyriell Drain-Hill, and extend our sincere condolences to her
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Chyriell Drain-Hill as an expression
19 of our deepest sympathy.